

IVINS FLITS AWAY.

Ex-Mayor Grace Says His Resignation Is in Mr. Grant's Hands.

Will He Charge the City \$2,000 for His Little Trip?

Is the Mayor Off Consulting with Richard Croker?

The news that City Chamberlain William M. Ivins had quietly slipped away from town early in the week, and had started on a trip to Brazil, where he expects to remain about a month, created a stir among the city officials this morning. No one had been informed of his projected trip, not even Mayor Grant, who was greatly surprised when he heard of it, and he desisted both friends and foes alike without the slightest warning.

He packed his grip on Monday and left the city late at night for Newport News, Va., where he took the steamer Albana of the United States and Brazil Mail Steamship Company, which sailed for Para, Brazil, on Tuesday.

The movements of the great reformer and financier were enshrouded with such secrecy that not even his name appeared upon the passenger list of the vessel, and it was not until yesterday that the fact of his absence from the city became known. The Morning World gave the first information to-day.

It is stated that one object of Mr. Ivins in deserting his public office and taking this sudden jaunt to the Southern Hemisphere is to attend to some business connected with the firm of his partner, ex-Mayor Grace, which had been involved through its representatives, Sears & Co., in Para, in the heavy failure of Bernard & Co. of the same city, whose liabilities were estimated at some \$2,000,000.

Deputy City Chamberlain Ladd, who has all the affairs of his chief's office on his hands, smiled a weary smile when asked about Mr. Ivins' jaunt.

Mr. Ivins' health has been poor for some time past, said Mr. Ladd, and he has been advised by his physicians to make a trip to the South. This, I thought was the sole object of his present journey.

"Do you know whether he had any business interests in Para to attend to?" asked Mr. Ladd. "I know nothing about his business interests there. He never spoke to me about them. He simply said he was going to Para, Brazil, and would be back in a few days."

He is expected to return some time during the first week in May, making about a month's absence altogether.

At Mr. Ivins' term of office expires on the 1st of May it is generally believed that he will find his successor in the city when he returns.

Mr. Ladd added that he believed Mr. Ivins had notified the Mayor of his intended absence some time before he was away, but said he did not think it was at all necessary for the Chamberlain to ask permission to go away.

He did not know what had led the Mayor or whether he had told him where he was going. The salary of the City Chamberlain is \$25,000 a year, and he is also entitled to a number of emoluments and a percentage on all deposits made in banks, out of which he must pay the salary of his assistants.

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DROPS FROM HUMOR'S FOUNT.

OUR CORNER DEVOTED TO WITTY SAYINGS, BRIEF AND POINTED.

A Business Arrangement.

(From News.)

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WHAT TUG-OF-WARMEN SAY

UNIVERSALLY REGRETTING EVER HAVING INDULGED IN THEM.

The New York Athletic Club House Fire Said to Be of Incendiary Origin—Excitement Over the Coming McAllister-Lee Fight—Peace Reigns in the Pastime Athletic Club.

By following up the plan of interviewing ex-tug-of-war men it is learned that almost without exception they deplore having ever engaged in it. Not one said he had ever benefited in any way. They declare it is merely a test of strength and endurance which has already been acquired by totally different methods. They said they would be glad to see the rising generation profit by their experience and eschew the tugging tug. For the excitement is its only attraction.

The burning of the old Hunter Club house on Travers Island is a severe blow to the New York Athletic Club. Not, however, financially speaking, but from a sentimental standpoint. The members were much attached to the picturesque old building for association's sake. The original building was put up in 1812. Upon coming into the possession of the Club, wings and additions were built and the structure was modernized to meet the requirements of the members. The estimated value of the building was \$14,000. It was insured for \$12,000. Some of the furniture was not insured. The fire is supposed to have been of incendiary origin. The new clubhouse, started by the Club, is now under construction and is expected to be completed by the middle of May. The members had intended to start training on the island within a few days, but the fire has put that project off. It is expected that the completion of the new building will be the end of the tugging tug.

The despatch in yesterday's Evening World announced that a chance boy, also that Landon, a heavy-weight of the Pacific coast, and Tom Lee, of Australia, had been matched to fight next week at a pugilistic contest. The general supposition seems to have been that McAllister did not intend to fight any more, but that he had been induced to do so by the prospect of a large purse. The fight is expected to be a very close one, and it is expected that the result will be different.

A prominent jeweller of this city has just presented a watch to the city. It is a very fine watch, and it is expected that it will be a very close one, and it is expected that the result will be different.

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KRILLISCH'S LIES.

Offered as Evidence That the Boy Murdered Wechsung.

Detective Sergeant Price Again on the Witness Stand.

One of the Hatchet Theories Shattered by His Testimony.

In the Court of General Sessions, before Judge Gilchrist, this morning, Detective-Sergeant Price of the Central Office, known as the "ferret" while connected with the Nineteenth Precinct squad, under Capt. Williams, continued his relation of his talks with Willie Krullisch and Dr. Doepfner, who was the physician who treated the murder of Gunther Wechsung on March 7.

It was a very circumstantial relation, the point being to prove that Willie Krullisch was an awful liar, and that the lies and contradictory stories told by him after the murder were evidence that he was trying to cover up his connection with the butchery of the drug clerk.

Sgt. Price said that Wechsung's wounds were evidently not made by a strong man, and he said that he knew of Wechsung's receiving any calls from women, or if he had ever seen the dead man quarrel with any woman.

He asked Dr. Doepfner if Wechsung's bed was occupied by a woman, and the doctor said it was occupied, but that he did not know who it was.

The boy had given a wrong address as his own; he had said that he was living at 100 West 14th street, and again that he was dead; he said that he had been told that morning; then that he had been told that morning; then that he had been told that morning.

Krullisch was taxed with it and denied it, saying that he was a poor boy, and that he had 60 cents in his pocket.

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